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Date of Interview: <u>3 July 2007</u>	Time:					
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Part I.						
Rejection(s) discussed:						
Claims discussed: 25						
Prior art documents discussed:						
Part II.						
SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED: See Continuation Sheet						
Part III.						
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above. 						
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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Appellant indicated in the appeal brief that the grounds of rejection for claim 25 was incorrect (see page 10). Claim 25 should have been rejected over Vert in view of Mashayekhi and Dinker. Appellant agreed it was not necessary to reopen prosecution of application as such a change would not require the addition of new prior art or alter the issues at hand. Appellant approved examiner's modification of grounds of rejection to remove claim 25 from the second grounds of rejection (Vert in view of Mashayekhi) and place claim 25 in the third grounds of rejection (Vert in view of Mashayekhi and Dinker) in order to expedite prosecution of the case to the board.